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BIG SWORDFISH FARE.

First of the Season To Reach Port at Boston.

Sch. Ella M. Doughty of Portland, Capt. Warren Doughty, which arrived at Boston yesterday, had the first swordfish trip of the season to be landed at that port. The vessel had 75 fish, a big trip for the first one. The largest fish weighed 443 pounds and the smallest 105 pounds. The fare, after brisk bidding, sold at 11 cents per pound. The trip was a short one, the vessel sailing from Portland June 15, and the stock will be in the neighborhood of \$1700. The vessel also brought in a 75 pound hawk bill turtle, one of three sighted swimming along together. The fare was taken on Georges.

Big Short Lobster Seizure.

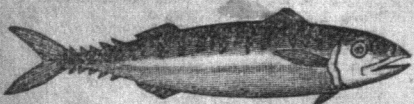
One of the largest seizures in Maine of lobsters of less than the legal length was made today by wardens at Ori's island, when 5000 were taken from 20 cars, part of which were submerged, and liberated.

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NINE SEINERS AT NEWPORT.

Mackerel Fleet Struck Fish Tuesday Night.

Some of the Fleet Are Reported Salting Their Catches.



The mackerel fleet have found good fishing to the southward and before dark last evening eight fine fresh trips had arrived at Newport and one at New Bedford.

According to reports from the former city, a good-sized fleet of the seiners found the fish Tuesday night, from 40 to 45 miles southeast of No Man's Land. As reported yesterday, schs. Saladin and Mary E. Harty were the first to reach Newport, and the price of fish was started at 20 cents each. The Harty reported that some of the vessels which made hauls were salting their catch.

Next came the news that sch. Veda M. McKown, Capt. Solomon Jacobs, had arrived at New Bedford with 18,000 fresh mackerel in count, a big trip.

Later news of the following fares at Newport was received:

Sch. Diana, Capt. James McLean, 165 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Constellation, Capt. Thaddeus Morgan, 125 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, Capt. Joshua W. Stanley, 200 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Capt. Albert Larkin, 200 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Edna Wallace Hopper, Capt. Almon D. Malloch, 200 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Maud S., 150 barrels fresh mackerel.

Last night at 9 o'clock it was very calm off Newport and no trips had arrived since dark. The fare of salt Cape Shore mackerel of sch. Miranda sold to D. E. Woodbury at \$10.62 1-2 per barrel.

One hundred and sixteen barrels of salt mackerel are due at Boston today from Port Hawkesbury, via steamer.

Sch. Harvard, Capt. Roy Kimball, arrived at Newport this morning with 150 barrels of fresh mackerel.

Sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Eben Lewis, stocked \$2700 on her fresh mackerel trip landed at Newport yesterday.

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T WHARF FISHERMEN.

Excited Over Story of Building of Steam Trawlers.

One of Stockholders Says It Is To Provide Regular Supply.

The recent announcement that a company had been formed, backed by unlimited capital, to build a fleet of steam beam trawlers to engage in the fresh fish business and market their fares at T wharf, Boston, and that one of these crafts had already been commenced and would be launched in October, has caused considerable comment at all the fishing ports along the New England coast.

The statement in one paper that a fleet of 300 of these crafts was to be built has caused most of the talk, and the term "fish trust" has suddenly gained a significance.

Among the vessel owners here the news that a concern had been organized to build a beam trawler has caused little serious comment, and not much more attention than the announcement that the Boston Shipping Company is having a big gasoline auxiliary schooner built for winter fishing.

It seems to be the general opinion here that this concern will probably, if the first one is proven a success, build a fleet, a reasonable number, to engage in the fresh market fishery. It is known that this idea has been considered for a long time and that the concern sent a man to England to study the matter and also it is understood that it has secured the exclusive rights for this country to certain patents on the English beam trawl outfit.

The captains and crews of the vessels landing fresh fish at T wharf, Boston, are very much opposed to the introduction of steam beam trawlers entering the fish business there. The Boston Branch, No. 223, of the Fishermen's Union of America strongly opposes the project and takes the matter very seriously.

"Certainly we are opposed to this new trust," said Joseph Rogers, business agent of the union, at headquarters, yesterday morning. "It means that hundreds of fishermen will be out of jobs when these steam vessels get started. It is only a deal to control the market. I do not know if the fishermen's union will take official action or not in protest against the new concern."

John R. Neal of the firm of John R. Neal & Co., one of the leading fish dealers of T wharf, who is a member of the new corporation said:

"The object of the new company is to make a steady market of fish and prevent fluctuations of the market. Steam trawlers can make more frequent trips and go much farther into the fishing grounds. The fish can be brought into the market in better condition, and the general aspect of the market will be greatly improved. It is no trust—only a means of improving the general market and securing a more steady supply of fish."

Fish dealers deny that it will be the death knell of the large fleet of sailing vessels now running from T wharf. They claim that there is room in the market for a much larger supply of fish than is now received.

Very Quick Run.

The salt banker Independence II., Capt. Joseph V. Cusick, is at Canso, N. S., after a run of 43 hours from this port. This is very fast sailing.

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CARRIER PIGEON SERVICE.

Times Thus Has Communication with Seining Fleet.

Message Received from One of Crew of Sch. Kentucky.

The TIMES now has a carrier pigeon service with the seining fleet out south, so that news from the vessels is received while the fleet are on the fishing grounds.

This morning the TIMES received a letter from Block Island, dated last Tuesday. The letter stated that a carrier pigeon lighted on the steam lighter Clifford, which was at work placing stone on the breakwater at the Old Harbor, Block Island, and attached to its leg was the following message to the Gloucester DAILY TIMES:

"June 25, latitude 41.10, longitude 67, on board sch. Kentucky. All hands well. Weather fine. No fish schooling. Stray carrier pigeon came on board and will send this by "pigeon post." Please send this to the Gloucester Daily TIMES and oblige.

(Signed) Samuel Peeples."

From Yesterday's Late Edition

TWO GOOD TRIPS.

Schs. Mary E. Harty and Saladin at Newport.

Former Arrived This Forenoon with 17,000 Mackerel.

A special despatch to the TIMES states that sch. Saladin, Capt. Flar McKown, arrived at Newport this morning with a fine trip, 14,000 fresh mackerel in count.

A special despatch from the TIMES correspondent at Newport this forenoon states that sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Eben Lewis, had just arrived with 17,000 fresh mackerel. The fish were taken 40 miles southeast of No Man's Land.

Arrivals at Newport report lots of tinker mackerel schooling 10 to 16 miles southwest of No Man's Land.

Sch. Livonia was at Newport yesterday with 1200 fresh mackerel and sold at 18 cents each.

The netters landed 5000 pounds of fresh mackerel at Portland yesterday, selling at 8 cents per pound.

Good Stock.

Sch. Lelia E. Norwood, Capt. Alfred Johnson, stocked \$2766 as the result of her recent fine Georges halibuting trip, the crew sharing \$83.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Hattie L. Trask, Georges, 5000 lbs. cod.
Sch. Fanny A. Smith, Bay of Fundy, 170,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Elsie F. Rowe, netting.
Sch. Angiellena, netting.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.
Sch. James A. Garfield, Provincetown, salt pollock and salt whiting.
Sch. A. P. Parkhurst, netting.
Sch. Priscilla, netting.
Sch. Scud, netting.
Sch. Little Fanny, netting.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, shacking.
Sch. Galatea, shore.
Sch. Mabel Bryson, swordfishing.
Sch. Marsala, Georges.
Sch. Edward A. Rich, Rips.
Sch. William H. Cross, swordfishing.

Today's Fish Market.

Board of Trade prices for salt and fresh fish:

Salt fish, handline Georges cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for medium; trawl Georges cod, \$4.25 for large, \$3.50 for medium; trawl Bank cod, \$3.62 1-2 for large, \$3.37 1-2 for medium; hake, \$1.25; pollock, \$1.25; haddock, \$1.75; large cusk, \$2.50.

Fresh fish, large cod, \$2.12 1-2; medium cod, \$1.62 1-2; all cod caught to the eastward of LaHave bank, \$1.37 1-2; medium \$1.50 cusk, \$1.62 1-2; haddock, \$1.00; hake, \$1.00; pollock, 75c; snapper codfish, 60 cts.; snapper cusk, 60 cts.

Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for mediums and \$2.25 for snappers.

Fresh halibut, 10 cts. per lb. for white and 7 cts. per lb. for gray.

Georges halibut, 12 1-2 cts. for white and 8 1-2 cts. for gray.

Fresh mackerel, 19 1-2 cents each.

Salt southern caught mackerel, \$15 per bbl

Cape Shore salt mackerel, \$10.62 1-2 per bbl.

Outside sales fresh hake, \$1.05.

Boston.

Sch. Emily Cooney, 32,000 haddock.

Sch. Viking, 14,000 haddock.

Sch. Benj. F. Phillips, 35,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 3000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Grace Darling, 3000 haddock, 14,000 cod.

Sch. Nettie Franklin, 15,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 1500 hake, 1000 pollock, 3000 halibut.

Sch. Almeida, 25,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 200 pollock.

Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 8000 haddock, 15,000 cod.

Sch. Regina, 25,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 40,000 haddock, 7000 cod.

Sch. Mary Edith, 20,000 haddock.

Sch. Annie Perry, 7000 haddock.

Sch. Eudora Eues, 30,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.

Sch. Pythian, 17,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake, 2000 pollock.

Haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.50; large cod, \$3 to \$3.10; market cod, \$2 to \$2.50; hake, \$1 to

\$2.50; pollock, \$2.25; mackerel, 15 cts. each; swordfish, 12 1-2 cts. per lb.

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MADE HARD FIGHT.

Halibut Weighing 240 Pounds
Landed at T Wharf, Boston.

Sch. Annie and Jennie arrived at T wharf Boston, yesterday morning with a cargo of ground fish and two large halibut, which tipped the scales at 132 and 240 pounds. The 240-pounder was caught by Frank Viator, one of the crew, when he dropped a line as'ern as the schooner was leaving the fishing grounds off the Georges. He was toying with the line when he felt a tug that nearly pulled him overboard. He clug on and called other members of the crew and the line was held while the fish put up a fight for 15 minutes. Then it was drawn to the side of the vessel where it was gaffed and pulled aboard. The fish sold for \$24.

Big Shack Trip.

Sch. Fanny A. Smith, Capt. George Smith, arrived this morning from the Bay of Fundy with a big trip, one of his usual kind, 170,000 pounds of fresh fish.

KING OF LOBSTERS.

Mammoth 25-Pound Crustacean
Landed at Boston.

The "king of lobsters" arrived at Commercial wharf, Boston, yesterday from Dennisville, Me., consigned to James A. Young & Co., wholesale lobster dealers. It is one of the largest ever seen in Boston, and tips the scales at 25 1-2 pounds.

Mr. Young, who is an expert on lobster, places the king's age as five years, and it is evident that he shed his shell last year. There are no barnacles on the lobster, showing it to be comparatively an infant of the crustacean family. It is believed that, if allowed two years more in the sea, it would have weighed 35 pounds.

King Lobster was sold to Shattuck & Jones of Fanenil Hall market, who will have him mounted at an expense of \$75.

New Vessel.

Oxner & Story of Essex are to build a new vessel of 140 tons for the Boston Shipping Company. She will be commanded by Capt. Felix Hogan in the winter haddock and summer shack fishery. Capt. Hogan is at present in command of sch. Selma, and in that craft has made a most enviable record, his last winter stock haddocking being \$22,000 before he began shacking. Capt. Hogan is a hustler, and if any one is deserving of a fine new caaft he is.

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The Beam Trawler.

American fishermen may lament the introduction of the steam trawler, but the call for it to secure more food fish and cheaper is just as legitimate as was the call for the present fisher folk to improve upon the ways of their forefathers, and so on back to the first change from the old Norse ways. But the sea will lose its romance if the syndicate trawlers alone sweep the fishing grounds.—Boston Record.

The fishermen do not at all approve of steam trawlers, but unless all precedent of improvement is abandoned, the steamer will come just the same.—Boston Globe.

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SEIZED CRAFT CONDEMNED.

Sch. Samoset Seized for Fishing
Inside Three Mile Limit

CASE A PROTRACTED ONE.

Vessel Ordered To Be Sold by
Admiralty Court.

Sch. Samoset of Plymouth, which was seized last summer by Canadian officials on the charge of fishing within the three-mile limit, was condemned by the admiralty court at Halifax, yesterday, and will be sold.

The Samoset, which is 32.36 tons measurement, while fishing off Lint island, last summer, was boarded and seized by Capt. Gordon of the marine service, who declared that the schooner had been violating the law by fishing within the three-mile limit. The schooner was taken to North Sydney, C. B., where she has since been in custody.

The trial in the admiralty court was somewhat protracted, counsel from Boston assisting local attorneys in the defence of the owners of the Samoset. One of the questions brought up was whether the act of curing fish inside the prescribed limit constituted a violation of the law.

The Samoset was built in this city in 1898, and carried a crew of 11 men.

WANT AMERICAN FLEET.

Canso Bait Fishermen Make Good
Money Selling to Yankees.

The Clark's Harbor, N. S., Coast Guard of last issue has the following editorial which shows that there are some who realize that it is a good thing to have Yankee vessels come to their ports.

"Said Mr. A. K. McLean, member for Lunenburg in parliament the other day: 'The protection of bait supplies is as important as the protection. I desire that the American fishermen should have no further privileges allowed them to furnish bait supplies, other than those which the treaty absolutely gives them.'

"He used these words while calling attention to a report alleging that American vessels had been poaching off Cape North, and buying bait unlawfully, in a special manner at the Magdalen's, where he doubted that the treaty of 1818 gave them any such rights, and he wanted the minister to look into it.

"Now it is everybody's desire that the old agreement as to shore fishing should be kept unbroken—and we have cutters enough for that—everybody knows a rider has been added to the treaty, allowing the persons to buy permits at so much a ton, and bait up where they please, even where the original landing and curing did not apply. Therefore Mr. McLean cannot bring the treaty to bear on American vessels that buy licenses in Halifax and get their second baiting at the Magdalen's, for those permits are good for a year.

"Mr. McLean's desire to cut off the baiting privilege is cruelly hard on the interests of Canso net men, who made a splendid stock this very spring by selling to the Yankees. It is a wonder Mr. Sinclair did not give him the wink to sit down."